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GENERAL ADMINISTRATION & PUBLIC GRIEVANCE DEPARTMENT

NOTIFICATION

The 8th December, 2023

S.R.O. No.818/2023— In exercise of the powers conferred by Section 57 read with Section 7 of the Odisha Lokayukta Act, 2014 (Odisha Act 12 of 2018) and in supersession of all rules issued in this regard except as respects things done or omitted to have been done before such supersession, the State Government do hereby make the following rules, namely: —

1. Short title and commencement.— (1) These rules may be called the Odisha Lokayukta (Payment of Pension to the Chairperson and Members) Rules, 2023.

(2) They shall come into force on the date of their publication in the *Odisha Gazette*.

2. Definitions.— (1) In these rules, unless the context otherwise requires, —

- (a) "Act" means the Odisha Lokayukta Act, 2014 (Odisha Act 12 of 2018);
- (b) "Chairperson" means the Chairperson of the Lokayukta;
- (c) "Government" means the Government of Odisha;
- (d) "Member" means a Member of the Lokayukta; and
- (e) "Section" means a section of the Act.

(2) All other words and expressions used but not defined in these rules shall have the meanings, respectively, assigned to them in the Act.

3. Service qualify for pension under Lokayukta.— (1) Every person appointed to the Lokayukta as the Chairperson or a Member shall be entitled to pension at the rate fixed under sub-rule (2):

Provided that no such pension shall be payable, if he, —

- (i) has put in less than three years of service in the Lokayukta; and
- (ii) has been removed from an office in the Lokayukta under section 37.

(2) Pension under sub-rule (1) shall be calculated at the following rate for each completed year of service rendered as,—

(i) Chairperson – Rs.1,21,575/- per annum; and

(ii) Member – Rs. 96,524/- per annum.

(3) When the Chairperson or Member, as the case may be, ceases the office as such, shall be entitled to pension at the above rate in addition to the amount which he is in receipt of a service pension at the time of his appointment as the Chairperson or as a Member in respect of any previous service rendered by him under the Government of India or under the Government of a State or as Chief Justice or Judge of a High Court.

(4) The Chairperson and Members, who on the date of his appointment as such, was not in the service of the Central Government or a State Government, shall, on his ceasing to hold office as the Chairperson or Member, be entitled to pension, at the rate fixed under these rules.

4. Authority competent to grant pension.—The Authority Competent to grant a pension to the Chairperson or Member of the Lokayukta under these rules shall be the Governor of Odisha.

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By Order of the Governor

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